

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

EMPLOYEE PAINTERS' TRUST, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

DAHL CONSTRUCTION SERVICE, INC.,  
*et al.*,

Defendants/Judgment Debtors,

and

MASTER DRYWALL FINISHERS LLC,

Garnishee.

Cause No. MC21-0082RSL


ORDER DECLINING TO ENTER  
JUDGMENT AGAINST  
GARNISHEE

This matter comes before the Court on plaintiffs' "Motion for Judgment Against Garnishee Master Drywall Finishers LLC." Dkt. # 9. The underlying judgment in this matter was for \$8,445.91, with post-judgment interest unstated and therefore accruing at the federal rate. Dkt. # 1-1. Plaintiffs seek judgment on an additional \$1,871.00 in "fees" and \$459.91 in "costs" plus the fees and costs associated with this garnishment action. Dkt. # 9-1. The additional \$2,330.91 in fees and costs are unexplained. They may have been incurred by the Trusts since the underlying judgment was entered on July 6, 2020, but they were not made part of the underlying judgment, have not been awarded by any court, and cannot simply be added to defendants' debt through this garnishment proceeding. The only fees and costs recoverable here

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AGAINST GARNISHEE - 1

1 are those incurred in drafting, filing, and serving the writ of garnishment, which are reported to  
2 be \$452.01. The Court declines to enter judgment as requested.<sup>1</sup>  
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5 Dated this 6th day of March, 2022.

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<sup>1</sup> Plaintiffs and their counsel shall not include post-judgment/pre-garnishment fees and costs in  
27 future applications for writs of garnishment.